

LEC minutes for Oct 15, 2012 (1217)

Present: Becky Lovejoy, Simon Carr (Selectman), Matt Brown, Scott Nichols, Dan O'Hara, Mark Bolinger, Robin Taylor  
Absent: Joanna Laro, Gary Phetteplace

Becky Lovejoy called the meeting to order at 7:30

1. Minutes for Sept 17, 2012 accepted as circulated and corrected.
2. Becky discussed the SERG letter that was trying to get people to do weatherization projects in NH towns, similar to the project in Thetford that they did last year. It was not clear what role Bob Walker is trying to get the energy committee to take on.  
Action: Scott and Becky will contact Bob Walker to clarify, discuss next month.
- 3 Mark was one of three Lyme houses on the NESEA "green building open house" tour on October 13 and had just one visitor, Lee Larson also had just one visitor, and Stephen Doig on Flint hill "won" with 3.  
No Action required
4. Mark gave us an update on the school expansion/addition/energy retrofit project. They have started working with the Jordan Institute to help with the energy retrofit aspects of the project.  
Action: Mark will keep us informed.
5. Becky brought up the subject of where is the energy committee headed in the future and several ideas to work on in the coming year were discussed:
  - Do we want to keep on with the survey project?
  - Should we be trying to do anything about the fire station problem?
  - Should we be revisiting the issue of the town garage? Matt was keeping the comparison of savings by using pellets (or corn) vs. oil, and it might be worthwhile to update this topic, Scott and Matt will look into this.
  - Are there energy related educational projects that we can get involved in with the school?
  - Matt's survey, Scott is going to talk to Jeff Valance about getting schoolchildren to fill out survey questions on behalf of their families.
  - Can we make use of the Fire Department's IR camera? Is it just for town buildings and what issues are involved in doing it for private homes? Could it be used do projects in the school that would be both educational and useful in deciding what energy retrofit projects are appropriate?
  - The Baptist Church is a potentially productive area for a survey, but would that be an appropriate use of our resources.
  - Simon brought up the question of where we want to go with the Peregrine report.

Scott thinks we should include energy use breakdown by building for all town buildings in our annual report. Vehicle energy use reporting by vehicle is not possible at this time, but might also be a useful tool.

Robin suggested a monthly energy saving tip to circulate to kids and bring home – getting kids to come up with their own ideas, etc.

Action: these, and any others that we can come up with, should be discussed further at the next meeting.

Scott and Matt to visit town garage.

Scott talk to Jeff Valance re survey project.

6. Becky will be out next meeting, Matt will preside.

Action: Matt to prepare agenda for Nov meeting and coordinate with Mark.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:34, next meeting 7:30 on November 19, 2012 at Town Office Building.

Respectfully Submitted

Dan O'Hara